



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re

Appln. of:

William J. KYTE et al.

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

## **Introductory Comments**

This Preliminary Amendment is filed together with a Request for Continued Examination of this application. The RCE is timely filed in view of the enclosed Petition for a Five-Month Extension of Time, which extends the period available for filing the RCE through and including 30 August 2006 (i.e., the 7-month anniversary of the Office's receipt of the Applicants' Notice of Appeal).

Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this Amendment.